Development of Sardhna and Hastinapur towns of Meerut district as tourist centres

1835. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a world famous church is situated in Sardhna town of Meerut district and that Hastinapur town in the same district has famous Jain Temples; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to develop these two towns as tourist centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) The Central Ministry of Tourism provides financial assistance to States for devlopment of tourist infrastructure on the basis of specific proposals received from the State Governments. The Ministry has not received any proposal from the Government of Uttar Pradesh for creation of tourism infrastructure at Sardhna and Hastinapur.

TV serials pending before the review committee of Doordarshan

1836. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state what are the names of the T.V. serials which are pending before the reveiw committee of Doordarshan and by when these are likely to be cleared by the Review Committee?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): The following proposals for TV serials are pending before the review committee:—

Proposals pending for concept approval

1. Sunday Street
2. Manzal Ki Rahen
3. Aakhri Dao

Proposals pending for pilot approval

1. Netaji Kahin
2. Shuttle Time with Prakash Padukone
3. Ghayab Aye
4. Space City
5. Maila Anchal
6. Welcome Home Mr. Bajaj (Panchhi)
7. Sauda
8. Sahara
9. Laxman's World
10. Jalebi
11. Chanchal Chetan
12. Animal Folk Tales
13. Lekhu
14. Nanhe Jasoos.

The Review Committee meets regularly to consider appeal cases. But it is not possible to indicate a specific date by which all pending cases will be cleared.

Installaion of Television Transmitters in U.P.

1837. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to install low power/high power transmitters in Utlar Pradesh during the next two years;

(b) if so, what are the places/districts where such transmitters are likely to be installed; and

(c) the total amount of money earmarked for the development of TV transmission in Uttar Pradesh during the next two years and in what way this amount will be utilised?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND

BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is envisaged to set up a high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Bareilly; a 100 W TV transmitter each at Amethi, Hardoi, Hardwar, Orai, Puranpur and Mainpuri; a 2x10 W TV transmitter each at Shatiari, Gopeswar, Haldwani, Kausani, Ranikhet, Uttarkashi; and a TV transposer each at Narendranagar, Obra and Shrinagar.

(c) Funds are earmarked on year to year basis keeping in view the annual allocation of resources for that particular financial year. Thus, while Doordarshan's Annual Plan, 1988-89, *inter alia* includes an amount of Rs. 9.96 crores for implementation of TV projects in Uttar Pradesh, the annual allocation of resources for the financial year 1989-90 is not known. The amount allocated/ to be allocated for the purpose would be utilised towards making payments for the sites, construction of buildings and towers, procurement of the required equipment and installation works.

1838. [*Transferred to the 15th March, 1988*].

Integrated pest management

1839. SHRIMATI ELA RAMESH BHATT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been devastating outbreak of pest diseases of cotton despite high levels of pesticides used;

(b) whether the causes therefore have been established and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is urgent need for introduction of integrated pest management (IPM);

(d) whether any ICAR Institute/ Agriculture University have developed IPM for cotton and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what is the acreage covered under this package of practice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) During the current crop season, pest attack by *Heliothis* occurred on cotton crop, in the districts of Guntur and Prakasam of Andhra Pradesh. The exact causes of this outbreak have not been established. However, the following factors may be responsible:

(i) Favourable alternate hosts and carryover of the pest from redgram;

(ii) Drought conditions and cyclonic rains;

(iii) Probable development of resistance in *Heliothis* to insecticides;

(iv) Excessive and indiscriminate use of broad spectrum insecticides specially synthetic pyrethroids;

(v) Monocropping of cotton; and

(vi) Excessive use of nitrogenous fertilisers.

(c) and (d) Steps have been initiated to popularise Integrated Pest Management. Integrated Pest Management for cotton bollworm (*Heliothis*) has been developed at Central Institute of Cotton Research, Regional Station, Coimbatore and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore. The details are:—

(i) Growing of less susceptible varieties of cotton like Kanchana and LK 861.

(ii) Proper monitoring of *Heliothis* population and spraying of insecticides when needed.

(iii) Restricted use of broad spectrum insecticides particularly synthetic pyrethroids.